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IN THE APPLICATION OF

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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION OF AUGUST 15, 2003

Honorable Director of Patents and Trademarks  
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Dear Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the examiner's office action of August 15, 2003.

In the office action, the examiner cites, as a primary reference, Granata U.S. Patent Number 6,009, 307. Reconsideration is requested, however, since Granata is not a proper reference.

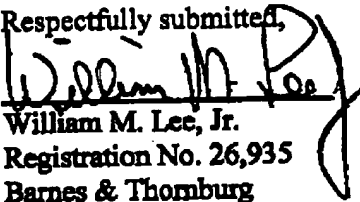
The present application is a continuation-in-part of previously copending U.S. patent application serial number 08/955,862, which was filed October 21, 1997. A proper claim to that application is set forth in the amended specification for the present application. Also, the '862 application claims priority to U.K. application number 9626549.1 which was filed December 20, 1996. An appropriate claim for priority is also submitted herewith, and when the certified copy of the priority application is available, it will be filed with the Patent and Trademark Office to

supplement this response.

The Granata is effective as a reference as of May 13, 1997. Since the present application traces its lineage to December 20, 1996, Granata is not a proper reference, and therefore the examiner's rejections based upon Granata have been overcome.

Because there are no other rejections of the claims, it is therefore submitted that the claims of the present application are in condition for allowance, and the examiner's further and favorable reconsideration in that regard is urged.

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